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SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. DIVISIONAL APPLN. :
(Based on 10/111,428)
FILED: HERewith :
FOR: CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF :
CROSSLINKED FINE PARTICLES
OF POLYMER GEL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination please amend the present Divisional Application of U.S. Serial No. 10/111,428 filed on May 8, 2002, now allowed, which is a 371 of PCT/EP00/11098 filed on November 10, 2000, as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Basis for the Amendment begins on page 6 of this paper.